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A VEHICLE COMPONENT

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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action mailed February 13, 2009, concerning the above-referenced patent Application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: